

*IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*

In re application of:  
SACCO, et al.

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Title: TRANSGENIC ANIMALS FOR THE  
STUDY OF BIOLOGICAL, PHYSICAL AND  
CHEMICAL TOXIC AGENTS

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**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47**

Box: PCT  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The subject U.S. patent application names six inventors, one of whom -  
Romeo RONCUCCI - is deceased. A Declaration and Power of Attorney form  
executed by the five living inventors is being submitted concurrently herewith, as are  
a Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Sylive RONCUCCI, one of the  
four heirs of Romeo RONCUCCI, and a Declaration and Power of Attorney form  
executed by Maria Novella CASTAGNOLI, guardian of Rachele and Regine  
RONCUCCI, two heirs of Romeo RONCUCCI. The guardian of the fourth heir of  
Romeo RONCUCCI, Roxanne RONCUCCI, is Anne Georgette Cristiane DELACHET.  
Applicants have not been able to obtain execution of a Declaration and Power of

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Attorney form by Ms. Delachet. Enclosed is a Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 by Peter Bromley, explaining and attesting to the inability to obtain execution by Ms. Delachet on behalf of Roxanne RONCUCCI.

Applicants respectfully petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.47 that the subject U.S. patent application be accepted and processed by the USPTO in order to preserve the rights of the parties and to prevent irreparable damage. The fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) accompanies this Petition.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Encl.: Bromley Declaration

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